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Minutes

Organizations Commission

Friday, September 16, 2022, 12:30 - 2:00 PM

Zoom ID: <https://csudh.zoom.us/j/82801255953>

This meeting is being facilitated through an online zoom format, consistent with the Governor's Executive Order N25-20, suspending certain open meeting law restrictions.

- I. Called to order at 12:32 p.m. by Janna Villanueva, Chairperson.
- II. Roll Call
Voting Members Present: Edgar Mejia-Alezano, Alex Alvarado, Lambda Theta Alpha Latin Sorority, Inc. , Eileen Valencia, Reese Santonil (Anthropology Club), Alexandria Hamilton, Birdie Suarez, Carly Wong (COTAD/ICOT), Catherine Ngo, Cecilia Ruiz (Korean Culture Club), Clinical Science Club, Dania Hernandez, Elisandro Wolfe (Phi Kappa Theta), Florencia Bravo, Hermandad de SIA, Inc. , Megan Miller (History Club), Isaac Shannon, Jalyn Anderson (Peace Club), Jenny Bravo, Jon Scott (Clinical Science Club), Joshua Lopez, Kayla Belloso (Hermanas Unidas), Kiana Nwaka, Leah HRMA Simmons, Luke Peck (Scholars United), M.E.Ch.A, Marlene Rios, Melissa Martinez, Meredith Quail, Nathan Nguyen, Victoria Albert (Omicron Rho), Victoria Quevedo
Advisors Present: Michellena Lakey, Troy Bartels, and Liat Vorobiev
Advisors Absent: Morelia Patino
Visitors: Imari Taylor and Anadet Sicarios
- III. Approval of Agenda – Action Item
*M/, S/Alvarado approve the agenda of September 9, 2022, as submitted
VOTE: UNANIMOUS
- IV. Approval of Minutes (September 2, 2022) – Action Item
*M/Villanueva, S/Mejia to approve the minutes of May 6, 2022, as submitted
VOTE: UNANIMOUS
- V. Reports
Organizations Commissioner- Villanueva stated how the ASI BOD has a new way of communicating concerns to the Presidential Board. This is to help the student leaders hold the board accountable and express their concerns as students.
- VI. Time Certain 12:45 pm – ASI Legislative Affairs Commission Representative – The Commission will hear from a Legislative Affairs Representative about what Ballot Bowl is and how to register to get club points.
- VII. Time Certain 1:00pm – Nathan Nguyen, Asian & Pacific Cultural Center Program Director
The Commission will hear from Nathan Nguyen regarding APCC goals, mission, and space challenges

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APCC Program Director- Nguyen is discussing how the Asian & Pacific Cultural Center is in need of a space on campus. All the Cultural Affinity Centers are not limited to their names, anyone is welcome. The goal for APCC is to be a home and cultural learning space for everyone to come and learn, including collaborating with many of the organizations and clubs on campus. There is more interest recently to develop more clubs and organizations. Many of them are affiliated with APCC, one being a conversation about starting a Southwest Asian North African organization (SWANA). They are in conversation with the campus about finding a new location. They were previously provided a space in the SBS building on the 3rd floor, however there were mishaps with how administrators were handling space allegations on campus. The latest update was from Kenneth O'Donnell about a potential space inside SAC 2. However, this may not work due to it being out of the way and not as accessible to students. Nguyen wants to emphasize the benefits of having a space on campus. As they grow as a center Nguyen hopes to have more opportunities for clubs and organizations to utilize their physical space for other activities and meetings. Next month they are collaborating with the Latinx Resource Center on a Latin Asian program.

VIII. Open Forum – Agenda Items Only

Time for members of the audience to address the Board on specific agenda items only.

Director of Student Services – Cunningham mentions the importance of the issue the Nguyen is having with spacing for APCC is also a campus issue. The cultural centers are not just for the people that identify as black, or Latinx, they are for everyone. Unfinished Business

Organizations Commission Update – Discussion Item

Office of Student Life will discuss how they interact alongside ASI to service the clubs and organizations on campus.

Director of Office of Student Life- Villanueva mentions how OSL supports the clubs and organizations and helps ASI with events. For example, she mentioned that OSL has been working with Luke Peck from Scholars United about doing a car show on campus. Scholars United is trying to help students come back to campus to thrive academically but also showing what they are passionate about. Having a car show on campus supports them, but it also brings awareness to the Dominguez Hills. These events create a platform for these students to be able to grow on campus. They are also hosting toro hour workshops. These are leadership development workshops where people can figure out how to best engage leaders who are still transitioning.

Troy Bartels- Mentions they are in the final stages of their club and organizations recognition. They are at about 90 clubs and organizations in total. They are having their 2nd to last officer training, and they have 40 students attending.

IX. New Business

A. Review of ASI Viewpoint Neutral Policy – Discussion Item

The Commission will hear from the Organizations Commissioner regarding the ASI Viewpoint Neutral Policy criteria for student organizations funding.

Organizations Commissioner- Villanueva mentions everyone here who is not an advisor is considered a voting member. Villanueva emphasizes the importance of

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how the Viewpoint Neutrality Policy is here to ensure all programs that ASI sponsors are fair.

Associate Director- Lakey explains the bullet points on the Viewpoint Neutrality Policy.

B. Introduction of New Attendance System – Discussion Item

The Commission will hear from the Organizations Commissioner regarding using surveys to track attendance for Organizations Commission:

Organizations Commissioner - Jaiden Villanueva discusses how the organization's commissions are a utility. It is a way to collect data from student leaders to open the floor to conversations wanted on campus and conversations someone may want to bring up to the President. There is a form being sent out for everyone to complete by adjournment.

X. Open Forum – Discussion Item

Time for members of the audience to address the Board.

Associate Director- Lakey asks what ASI is going to do with the information Villanueva is asking for in the attendance survey on a regular basis. Lakey also addressed Wolfe's concern and said ASI is also in the works of trying to get housing to be more affordable.

Organizations Commissioner- Villanueva addressed that ASI will be able to discuss questions, comments, and concerns that are brought into the survey. Based on the topic that day, Villanueva can then delegate it to its corresponding team. Villanueva answers Bartels question stating that she attended a meeting where they discussed toro hour was a test run the last couple semesters. The CDC are taking volunteers and Jaiden is asking for all the clubs and organizations to send their name into the chat so she can direct them to the CDC Director Candace.

Elisandro Wolfe- Wolfe mentioned coming into ASI about concerns with housing and is saying the university is making a lot of money off housing but basic necessities are still not met (AC). He also mentioned the concern of housing not being affordable, and potentially wanting the campus to offer and grant strictly for housing.

Troy Bartels- Bartels is concerned about Toro Hour potentially no longer being offered. He mentions toro hour is offered at the wrong time and often conflicts with students' class schedule.

Birdie Suarez- Birdie has had issues with trying to get her clubs recognized and was wondering if OSL was doing anything to help the student leaders.

XI. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

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